IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re PATENT APPLICATION of

MANGOLD et al.

Appln. No. 09/632,208

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Hon. Commissioner of Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Attached is a PTO-1449 form listing the enclosed documents. A concise explanation of the relevancy of these documents is contained in the Background portion of the present Specification.

This Information Disclosure Statement is intended to be in full compliance with the rules, but should the Examiner find any part of its required content to have been omitted, prompt notice to that effect is earnestly solicited, along with additional time under Rule 97(f), to enable Applicants to comply fully.

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Consideration of the foregoing and enclosures plus the return of a copy of the PTO-1449 form filed herewith with the Examiner's initials in the left column per MPEP § 609 along with an early action on the merits are earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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